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WELL DONE.

Work of the Convention of the Catholic Knights of America.

Mike Reichart and John Score Elected President and Secretary.

Delegates and Visitors Enjoy a Delightful Trolley Ride and Banquet.

MEET NEXT YEAR AT FRANKFORT.

The largest and most important State convention of the Catholic Knights of America ever held in Kentucky was that which began its sessions at St. Martin's Hall Tuesday morning. The proceedings were spirited and interesting, and both delegates and visitors returned to their homes full of enthusiasm and hopes for the future of this grand society, the prospects for which were never brighter than at present.

The delegates were all able and representative men and harmony prevailed throughout the entire proceedings, the only note of discord being the supposed slight of Very Rev. Father Bax, who had only last week returned from Europe. There was no discourtesy intended Father Bax, whose services as Spiritual Director are appreciated by every member of the order in Kentucky, as was evidenced by his unanimous re-election.

Few changes were made in the State laws, the business of greatest importance being the instruction of the State delegates to the national convention.

Solemn high mass at St. Martin's church preceded the formal opening of the convention, Rev. Father Franz being the celebrant. Both the church and St. Martin's Hall, where the sessions were held, were exquisitely decorated with national emblems as well as the colors of the Catholic Knights. The illumination of the altar was also very brilliant, and the splendid choir, largely augmented for the occasion, rendered a special musical programme. The sermon for the occasion was preached by Rev. Father Gausepohl, of the Church of Our Lady in Portland. After welcoming the delegates and members of the order, who thronged the church to the doors, he reviewed the history of the Catholic Knights, in which he dwelt upon the duties of Catholics and their loyalty to the constitution and their country, declaring that those who honored the laws laid down by the church and lived up to them made the best citizens also. The reverend gentleman was listened to with great interest and his eloquent and patriotic utterances made a most favorable impression upon all who heard them.

Immediately after the services in the church the convention was called to order by Vice President Henry Veeneman, State President Fred Keune, of Bowling Green, not having been able to be present. The proceedings were opened by the Spiritual Director, Rev. Father Bax, when Messrs. G. W. Cambron and William Spalding were appointed a committee on credentials. They immediately reported the following delegates present and entitled to seats:

Louisville—William C. Smith, John J. Score, W. C. Johnson, Frank Speckert, Michael Reichart, Louis M. Hamel, Thos. F. Henley, Joe P. McGinn, Al F. Martin, H. B. Beckman, Joseph Hubbuch, Louis Goedde, Henry Felhoelter, Frank Wolpert, J. G. Stoerr, James McBride. Paducah—L. A. M. Grief. Bowling Green—Bro. Houlihan. Owensboro—Henry Weis. Lexington—E. T. Houlihan. Newport—M. Shea. Bardonia—B. E. Mattingly. New Heaven—George Boldrick, J. E. Rapier. Frankfort—William L. Weitzel. St. Mary's—William M. Spalding. Waverly—G. W. Cambron. Covington—Judge M. T. Shine, Dr. J. A. Averdick, H. J. Thomas, J. Weighaus.

The reports of the State officers were most encouraging, showing a steady growth both numerically and financially, and now that ladies are admitted to membership beneficent results are anticipated during the coming year.

The afternoon session was taken up with the reports of the various business committees, whose recommendations were adopted.

One of the most important propositions was submitted by Thomas Henley, of this city. It provided for the part payment of insurance after twenty years' membership. While no action was taken its merits were apparent to all, and there is a strong probability that such a law may be enacted during the next year or two.

The annual election of officers resulted as follows:

Spiritual Director—Very Rev. L. D. Bax. President—Michael Reichart, of Louisville.

Vice President—E. T. Houlihan, of Lexington. Secretary—John J. Score, of Louisville. Treasurer—Sylvester Rapier, of New Haven.

Supreme Delegates—H. A. Veeneman and Joseph Hubbuch; alternate, Joseph McGinn.

With the exception of Father Bax and

Treasurer Rapier all are new officers. Frankfort captured the next State convention, which was what genial Dan McElligott labored for.

In the election of officers Louisville fared well. There are no harder workers than Mike Reichart and John Score, and their administration promises to be able and progressive. Messrs. Hubbuch and Veeneman, delegates to the national convention, are too well known to need further mention than that they will both be prominent figures in the national body.

The installation of officers was conducted by Father Bax, with a short but impressive address, pointing out the



DANIEL McELIGOTT, Who Secured the Next Convention for Frankfort.

duties of each and setting forth the importance of careful and attentive work for the good of the society. Before the final adjournment President Reichart addressed the convention, thanking the delegates for the honor conferred upon him and pledging his best efforts and ability to make his administration more successful than that of his predecessor.

The social feature of the convention was the delightful trolley ride about the city and the sumptuous banquet following at Hammer's Park arranged by the gentlemen of the Central Committee of this city. About 200 guests boarded the cars at the St. Cloud Hotel at 8 o'clock and the trip included Cherokee Park and Fountain Ferry, arriving at Hammer's shortly after 10, where the crowd found a bounteous feast awaiting them. There were plates for over 200 persons, who were called to order and seated by Toastmaster William C. Smith. The menu prepared was a palatable one and thoroughly relished by all after the long ride. After doing justice to the choice viands the toastmaster introduced Miss Louise Packler, the first lady member in Kentucky, who made a short but pleasing address, that was warmly applauded.

Judge M. T. Shine and Dr. Averdick, of Covington, were also introduced, the former addressing those seated at the tables most happily. Father Gausepohl was listened to with the closest attention and his utterances aroused the greatest enthusiasm. His reference to the clergy met the hearty approval of all who heard him. Ben Speaker was the one who made the hit of the evening. His original stories kept the crowd convulsed with laughter. The happy feast was brought to a close at midnight, when all took the cars and returned to the city.

Among the pleasing incidents of the evening was the serenade tendered Father Bax at his residence on Walnut street, many who had not met him leaving the cars to congratulate him upon his safe return from Europe.

The delegates and visitors were at a loss to find words to express their appreciation of the kind treatment received at the hands of the Central Committee and the Louisville Knights, whose hospitality was evidenced everywhere during their stay here. Among those whose labors contributed most to the success and pleasure of the convention and the entertainment were Messrs. Henry Feldhaus, William Meehan, Joseph Hubbuch, Ben Speaker, Thomas Feely, Joe McGinn, John Score, Bernard Geher, Miss Louise Packler, Aline B. Trol and each member of the Central Committee.

HARD AT WORK.

Fine Progress Being Made Toward the Sisters' Bazar.

The meeting at St. Francis' Hall last Monday night was well attended by ladies and gentlemen from the different congregations interested in the coming bazar for the Sisters of Mercy. President Duffy presided and expressed himself as greatly pleased with the encouraging reports submitted.

The dining-room problem was happily solved by Mrs. Tom Tarpey and Miss Mollie Barrett, the former consenting to take charge. She will have as aids ladies from each parish, who will probably serve on different days, thus making the work a pleasant one. The young ladies of the alumnae to the number of twenty or thirty will act as waitresses, and this department, which will be separate from all others, now promises to be very successful.

From all parts of the city come reports of growing interest in the bazar, which will undoubtedly surpass any heretofore given in Louisville. There will be another meeting Monday evening, and the attendance of many clergymen is expected.

Among those whose presence added interest to the proceedings were noted Andy Kast, Dan Murphy, Jailer Pfanz, John T. Malone, J. P. Dant and John Carroll.

Mrs. Benham—it's hard on the people of Greenland to have night six months long. Benham—Yes. Just think of the sufferings of a poor man whose wife's mother drops in to spend the evening.

MEMORABLE

Will Be Thursday Night's Irish-American Social Meeting and Banquet.

Covers Will Be Laid For Three Hundred Guests at Music Hall.

Interesting Musical and Literary Exercises and Short Addresses.

THE IRISH EVENT OF THE SEASON.

The open social meeting and banquet of the Irish-American Society at Music Hall next Thursday night will prove the most notable as well as enjoyable social event of recent years in Louisville Irish-American circles. For the past month the joint Ways and Means and Entertainment Committees have been busy making the necessary arrangements, and now every detail is complete. Messrs. Joe Byrne, Gus Kane and Pat Connaughton have succeeded in providing an entertainment that will furnish fun galore, and three hundred will be seated at the banquet table, which will be gallily decorated and bounteously laden with everything that is palatable.

This affair is on a much larger scale than any ever undertaken by a single society and will not be soon forgotten by those who may attend. The tables will be arranged in the shape of the letters of the society, "I. A. S.," the band of music being located at the center one, where will be seated Chairman Thomas Keenan and the orators of the evening. The address of welcome will be made for the society by Thomas Tarpey, who will be followed by William Lawler, his subject being "Our Society." The principal addresses will be delivered by James J. Fitzgerald, the well-known attorney, who is fast winning fame as an orator of eloquence and brilliancy. Of course the speech-making will take place following the supper.

The programme for this affair is a pleasing though lengthy one, and is as follows: Overture, Irish airs, Scally's orchestra. Address of welcome by Thomas Tarpey. Minuet by Hattie May Gallagher, Daniel White, Marie Murphy, Julia Boldt, Henrietta Boldt, Charlie White, Philip Connell and Josephine Byrne, pupils of Miss Blanche Mitchell's dancing academy, who will appear in court costume.

Song by Master Tommy Keenan. Ragtime songs and sand dancing by Miss Mayne Stokes. Recitation by Miss Marie Murphy. Song by Master Boyd Chester. Dance, La Coquette, Master Philip Connell.

Song by Edna Buschmeyer. Dance, L'Impromptu, Miss Josephine Byrne. Piano solo, Irish melodies, Miss Elizabeth Tarpey.

Song by J. F. Chester and little daughter Abbie. Dance, Tarsalga, Miss Hattie May Gallagher. Song by Miss Charlotte Walsh. Dance, La Chasse, Daniel White. Song by Miss Bee Mullarkey.

The cake walk, participated in by Charlie McBride, Irene Bagby, Willie Buschmeyer, Marguerite Paxton, Philip Connell and Josephine Byrne will bring to a close the first part, after which the supper will be served and the toasts responded to.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, MAYNOOTH.

The beauty and ornate grandeur of St. Patrick's church, Maynooth, will be considerably enhanced when the lofty tower, now in course of erection, will have been completed. The work was inaugurated thirteen months ago, and already great strides have been made, says the Dublin Independent. The total height is to be 250 feet. At the present moment the structure has attained a height of 101 feet. Even in this incomplete stage it presents an imposing appearance. The erection of a tower of such dimensions is a tedious process, involving a great deal of labor and a heavy outlay. The cost of this building will be \$70,000. A large proportion of that sum has yet to be collected. Hitherto the project has been generously supported, and when the National character of the great undertaking is borne in mind there is no reason to apprehend that Catholics from end to end of the land will not as readily and as liberally send forward the balance still required. Maynooth College church is the church of twenty-seven dioceses and 1,080 parishes. If the support so far accorded him be continued the enterprising President, Rev. Dr. Gargan, expects to see the tower complete in September, 1901.

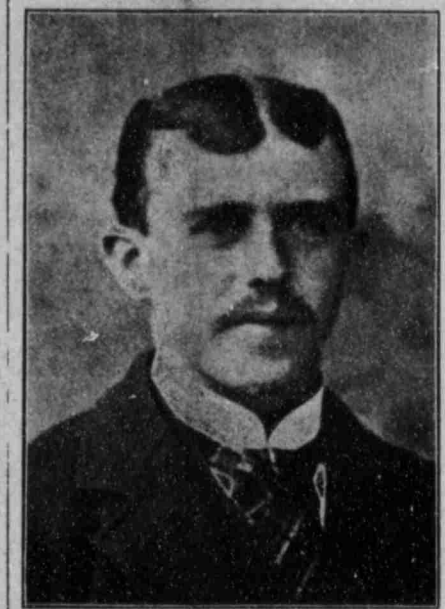
IMPORTANT CONVENTION.

The most important event of the year in German Catholic circles was the big Federation convention which took place in Peoria, Ill., this week. The session lasted from Tuesday till Thursday. The Catholic societies of Louisville were represented by Messrs. Phil Ackerman, Henry Boquet, H. H. Frenke, Joseph Sayer and John Scholtes, who arrived home last night.

PATRICK FALLON

Returns From French Lick Enjoying Improved Health.

Patrick Fallon, than whom there is no young man better known in Limerick, has returned from French Lick Springs, where he spent ten days recuperating his health, which had become run down be-



cause of close attention to business for several years past. His friends and acquaintances are glad that the visit resulted beneficially, and that he again feels in perfect condition.

Paddy Fallon, as his friends all call him, is a native of the County Galway, Ireland. He came to America eighteen years ago, spending three years in Pennsylvania, and then coming to Louisville. For nearly eight years he was with the late John Gillen, at that time the leading grocer of the southern part of the city at Seventh and Oak, on the corner now occupied by John Hickey. After the death of Gillen he went with Rich Quinn on the opposite corner, thus making fourteen years on Seventh and Oak streets.

Mr. Fallon is happily married and the father of an interesting family, two of his children being handsome boy twins. His devotion to his adopted country is well known, yet no one responds more promptly to appeals for the old land or his suffering countrymen. He declares that he hopes to again visit Ireland and the scenes of his childhood.

SILVER WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Barrett Married Twenty-Five Years.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Barrett occurs tomorrow, and the event will be appropriately observed by the many friends of the still happy and prosperous couple.

At the Church of the Blessed Sacrament their silver wedding will be celebrated with solemn high mass, Rev. Daniel O'Sullivan, who was the officiating clergyman, conducting the joyous services.

A pleasing feature of the occasion will be the rendition of Von Weber's mass in G by the survivors of the choir which officiated at the ceremony at St. John's church on East Walnut street, of which Mr. and Mrs. Barrett were at that time members. They are Mrs. Kate Costigan, Mrs. William Meehan, Mrs. James O'Connor, Mrs. Jones and Mr. James O'Connor. They will be assisted by the regular choir, Mrs. Kate Costigan rendering the "Inflammatus" at the offertory and Miss Jennie Giles presiding at the organ.

The church will doubtless be crowded with relatives and friends, as the silver jubilee of their marriage will mark one of the happiest of this season's many pleasant events. With others we extend our heartiest congratulations and hope to also be present at their golden anniversary.

REGISTRATION IN BELFAST.

It is a most encouraging augury for the future of Catholicity and Nationalism in Belfast to note the whole-hearted enthusiasm and unanimity with which the work of registration has been taken up. The representative attendance at the meeting of members of the Central Executive of the Catholic Association bore witness to the policy of thoroughness with which the members of the association are inspired in the great effort now being made to increase and maintain the voting power of the Catholics and Nationalists of the city. Although on the eve of his departure to attend the historic Catholic Synod at Maynooth the Most Rev. Dr. Henry, whose unflinching interest in the progress of the good work has become proverbial, made it a point to encourage by his presence the willing workers, who in the cause of religion and patriotism have not spared themselves.

This solicitude of his lordship in the cause of nationality, in the midst of his multifarious duties, is quite in keeping with the deep and paternal interest he has evinced in the raising of the social and political status of his flock since his succession to the See of St. Malachy. This year's collection for the work of registration has been very satisfactory, and the work undertaken has also been beyond anything before attempted under such conditions in Belfast.—Irish News.

GALVESTON

Sufferers Will Be Assisted by Hibernians of Jefferson County.

Call For County Board of Directors to Meet Sunday Afternoon.

Subscriptions May Be Left With the Kentucky Irish American.

IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE NECESSARY.

The awful catastrophe that has befallen Galveston, Texas, by which 12,000 lives were lost without warning or time to say a prayer and property destroyed that will aggregate \$50,000,000, came almost as a paralytic stroke upon the people of the entire country, who were stunned for the time being, but who since have been responding liberally to the appeals for aid.

At Thursday night's meeting of Division 2 of the Ancient Order of Hibernians resolutions were passed offering aid to the sufferers and requesting County President Tom Keenan to call a special meeting of the County Board of Directors for Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, when plans will be formulated toward raising funds for the relief of their unfortunate brethren in Galveston, where there are two divisions of the order.

County President Keenan at once issued the call, and Board of Directors will at once proceed with the work of soliciting and forwarding aid. Contributions for the sufferers may be left with the Kentucky Irish American, which will be immediately turned over to the County Board and also the names published in these columns.

The latest news from the stricken city is that at least 30,000 people are destitute in Galveston and along the main shore. Slow progress is being made in clearing up the streets and disposing of the dead, and there is increasing danger of pestilence.

The distress is appalling, rendering necessary prompt and liberal assistance, and all who possibly can should at once contribute to the relief fund, which will be forwarded through the county officers of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

PICAYUNISH.

Treatment of School Children by Louisville Railway Company.

That the Louisville City Railway Company is "small potatoes and few in a hill" was fully demonstrated by its treatment of a large number of school children during the past two weeks. For many years past the opening of the city and parochial schools has taken place on the first Monday in September. Owing to lack of finances the School Board last month decided to postpone the opening of the public schools till Monday.

Children of all the schools have heretofore been carried back and forth for half fare, but here was a chance for the grasping corporation to squeeze a few additional nickels from the poor. The Catholic parochial and other schools opened two weeks ago, but the children attending them have been thus far compelled to pay full fare. There have been many complaints against this action of the railway officials, parents wondering why their children should not be accorded the same privileges this year as for previous years.

Upon inquiry at the company's offices at Twelfth and Jefferson streets President Minary referred our reporter to Superintendent Funk, whose explanation did not explain. That gentleman stated that no discrimination was intended, but that it was impossible to train the 700 to 800 employees to collect the fares of the children in a manner satisfactory to the company, overlooking the fact that the half fare tickets would have been issued all right had the School Board not taken the action mentioned above. He also stated that all the priests in the city had called upon him and were perfectly satisfied with his action.

When assured that many parents were denouncing the company for its discrimination our reporter was informed by him that very few children were attending the schools at present, and also that the company, which was never known to overlook a nickel, even in the dark, had overlooked the matter of the opening of the parochial schools entirely. But not so with the postponement. In this connection it might be well to add that he expressed great sympathy for the working girls who are compelled to pay full fare, but there the matter ends.

MERCY HOSPITAL BAZAR.

The Sisters in charge of Mercy Hospital in Jeffersonville will give a bazar at Spith's Theater, commencing Tuesday, October 2, and continuing until Saturday of the same week. There will be doll booths, fancy tables and an extensive variety of refreshments, including regular meals. The bazar is to be given for the purpose of deriving money to assist in paying for the proposed new

hospital building, estimated to cost \$10,000. The Hibernians of Jeffersonville will take an active part, and may arrange a special night for their Louisville and New Albany brethren.

JOHN J. SCORE.

Now State Secretary of the Catholic Knights of America.

John J. Score, the newly elected State Secretary of the Catholic Knights of America, whose portrait appears here-



JOHN J. SCORE, State Secretary of the Catholic Knights of America.

with, became a member of the order eighteen years ago, and during all that time has been an indefatigable worker. He has held the office of Recording Secretary in Branch 4 for many years, and served as its delegate to all the State Council meetings held in Kentucky.

Mr. Score was also honored at a former State convention by being chosen Supreme delegate to the Supreme convention held in the city of Philadelphia, and the honor conferred upon him this week was well deserved. His services will prove invaluable to President Reichert. He is the member of the Board of Directors of the Catholic Federation from Branch 4. During the past week he made many new friends as Chairman of the Reception Committee.

MACKIN COUNCIL

Lawn Fete and Lantern Contest Help Building Fund.

Mackin Council held a largely attended and interesting business meeting Tuesday night, when a great amount of business was transacted. The young gentlemen having in charge the lawn fete given last week made a partial report, which was of a very gratifying nature.

The Chairman of the committee conducting the lantern contest reported that, while the expenses were quite heavy, still a handsome sum was realized for the building fund. This committee did excellent work, which added much to the already enviable reputation of Mackin Council.

Resolutions were adopted expressing sympathy for the bereaved family and relatives of Bro. Jansen, who died last week, and the charter was ordered draped for the next thirty days, and the relief committee which had been waiting on D. J. Hummel for the past two months, reported him as again entirely well.

Delegates James Shelly and George Lutz reported the proceedings of the Grand Council. They were given a rising vote of thanks for their earnest work in behalf of Mackin Council. Mr. Shelly's announcement of the election of George J. Lutz to the position of Secretary-Treasurer of the Grand Council was received with enthusiastic applause.

Mackin Council, always noted for its liberality, made a handsome donation for the stricken city of Galveston, which has been forwarded to the city authorities.

Permission was granted the Young Ladies' Auxiliary to give a reception and dance during the early part of November, which will be strictly an invitation affair. Messrs. Lutz and Shelly made two interesting talks, when the council adjourned to meet next Tuesday night.

CATHOLIC FEDERATION.

Adjourned Without Transacting Any Business Sunday Afternoon.

Owing to the lack of a quorum of eleven organizations no business was transacted last Sunday at the meeting of the Catholic Federation at Trinity Council Hall. President McDermott was absent from the city, as were several other representatives, besides which a number were unable to attend because of their duties in connection with the convention of the Catholic Knights of America.

Those present, however, listened to an interesting address by Dr. J. W. Fowler, containing many valuable suggestions. John Barrett and David O'Connell were also among the speakers, and after spending an hour pleasantly in the handsome parlors an adjournment was taken for two weeks, when several more societies are expected to send delegates. The committee on by-laws will also make their report.

An Irishman, seeing a donkey ready saddled and thinking of having a cheap ride, jumped on his back. He had not gone far when the donkey started kicking and jumping about, so much that he got his foot hung up in one of the stirrups. "Shure," said Pat, "if you're going to get on, I'm going to get off."

SEVEN MILES.

That Will Be the Length of Monday's Beautiful Pageant.

Everything in Readiness for the Elks' Street Fair and Carnival.

President William McKinley and William J. Bryan Invited.

HUNDREDS OF HANDSOME BOOTHS.

Everything is in readiness for the inaugural of Louisville's second fall carnival, street fair and industrial exposition. On Monday afternoon with the grandest floral parade ever held in the South this gorgeous enterprise will be begun, and it is safe to say that it will be in keeping with the magnitude and detail of the enterprise.

The floral parade which will thus inaugurate Louisville's carnival will be a revelation of beauty and a dream of color and design seven miles long. It will wind its beautiful way through the streets of Louisville while many brass bands will play, while flags will flutter and the superb line of everything beautiful will be offered for the first time in Louisville.

William E. Riley, Chairman of this gorgeous parade, today said that nothing like it had ever been arranged in the South, where already many floral parades had been held. In the detail of splendor and the beauty of its design it will outshine all others. Hundreds of the swiftest traps in the city and the entire South will be seen in line, many of them driven by their owners. Victorias, breaks and landaus, with many others, will be stunningly decorated, and will be formidable contestants for the handsome prizes that have been offered.

When the gates of the carnival proper are opened on Monday Louisville people may well be surprised to find a most unique and attractive industrial exposition. There will be 300 elaborately decorated booths, rich with varied displays and with the choicest products of Louisville manufacturers, and the prize wares of her stores will be on exhibit.

In the midway there will be twelve distinct shows, ranging from the great streets of Cairo to the mysteries and wonders of the East. The German village will be a most attractive feature, and in all a most attractive amusement institution will be offered.

Every day of the Louisville carnival will be a special day, as follows:

Monday, September 17, Louisville day. Tuesday, Souvenir day. Wednesday, Ladies' day and white baby show.

Thursday, Fraternal and Orphans' day. Friday, Labor and Railroad day. Saturday, German-American day and School Children day.

Monday, September 24, Afro-American day, colored baby show, fiddlers' contest and cake walk at night.

Tuesday, Irish-American day. Wednesday, Elks' day. Friday, Indiana day and farmers' day. Saturday, Kentucky and miners' day.

Among the distinguished guests invited are President William H. McKinley and William Jennings Bryan and many others are expected.

The general admission for the carnival is ten cents. For this time there can be gotten a world of fun.

There was a meeting of Irish-Americans at the Board of Trade Exchange Hall last night to perfect arrangements for the observance of Irish-American day. Committees were appointed to secure speakers, soloists and others for that evening, which will perhaps draw the largest crowd of the week. The full programme will be given in our next issue.

GENERAL MEETING.

County President Thomas Keenan has issued a call for a general meeting of the Hibernians of the four local divisions, which will be held on Thursday evening, September 27. This will be the first one under the auspices of the new County Board, and a large attendance is expected, as matters of interest to all the members will receive consideration.

HOME FROM ROME.

The members of the congregation of the Sacred Heart church will greet with joy to-morrow morning their beloved pastor, Rev. Patrick Walsh, who arrived Thursday evening from his pilgrimage to Rome and a tour of Ireland. He was accompanied by Rev. Father Hayes, of Bowling Green, and his two sisters, and the entire party are enjoying the best of health.

THIS MONTH'S GAEL.

The Gael for September arrived this week, and is one of the best numbers yet published. It abounds with historical articles, poems, short stories and sketches, and much information of the greatest interest to every person interested in Irish nationality. The illustrations presented of scenes in County Galway and County Westmeath are of the highest order.